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THEIR APPLICATIONS

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In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants hereby notify the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office of the documents listed on the attached PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified) form, which the Examiner may deem material to patentability of the claims of the above-identified application.

One copy of each of the listed documents is submitted herewith.

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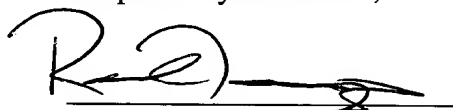
In compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3) for foreign language documents, Applicants submit the following explanations for DE 3 830 679 and DD 149 373.

DE '679 discloses bitumen-polymer water emulsions comprising a bitumen, a latex compound, an emulsifying agent, non-organic compounds, curing agents and water. These emulsions may be used as water-proof coatings. The object of DE '679 is to obtain a bitumen-polymer water emulsion which, with a polymer content as low as possible (page 2, lines 50-51), builds protection self-branching layers, having good properties of flexibility and resiliency and that are highly resistant to heat and aging.

DD '373 relates to reflecting roof coatings containing aluminum particles, that are intended to reflect sun beams and thus to prevent a temperature raise of the roof. The object of DD '373 is to prevent an aging of these coatings, resulting in a loss of their reflecting properties. To this end, DD '373 discloses a special bitumen emulsion containing a rubber-type latex and 2 to 20 wt% of a paste of aluminum pigments.

The submission of the listed documents is not intended as an admission that any such document constitutes prior art against the claims of the present application. Applicants do not waive any right to take any action that would be appropriate to antedate or otherwise remove any listed document as a competent reference against the claims of the present application.

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